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Sleeping cars, similar in construction to the third-class cars except for interior appointments, are being built in Poznan. Instead of the customary two rows of seats, the compartments of these cars contain five berths, which can be folded during the day to form eight standard seats.

TO BUILD NEW RR LINES, ELECTRIFY OTHERS -- Frankfurt am Main, Wiadomosci Polskie, 8 Oct 50

It is expected that 704 kilometers of new railroad lines will be built and 541 kilometers of railroad lines will be electrified during 1950 - 1955, especially in the areas of the Warsaw, Gdansk-Gdynia, and Katowice junctions.

At present, the railroad rolling-stock industry is capable of producing a large surplus for export. In 1938, Poland exported transportation equipment valued at 1,200,000 zlotys. In 1947, this export was valued at 3,200,000 zlotys, in 1948 it reached 8,600,000 zlotys, and in 1949, 62,500,000 prewar zlotys. At present, Poland exports freight cars, coal cars, tank cars, mail cars, passenger cars, and standard- and narrow-gauge locomotives. In addition to many European countries, the recipients include such overseas countries as Argentina, Egypt, Israel, Pakistan, and Turkey.

The proportion of rolling-stock production exported is increasing. In 1938, exports constituted only 3 percent of production; in 1949, they increased to 35 percent of production. The planned increase in rolling-stock production will make Poland one of the largest producers and suppliers of railroad rolling-stock in Europe.

PURCHASES TRAINS FROM SWEDEN -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 6 Jan 51

Poland has purchased several passenger trains from Sweden. The first of these was put in operation recently on a new Warsaw suburban line. Additional trains and a considerable number of passenger cars are to be delivered shortly.

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